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1. The Iras Factory at Soseaua Vergului, Bucharest, is the largest factory to produce bitumsuspension. As the factory had only four old 3-ton trucks unsuitable for use, trucks were hired to haul raw materials from the railroad station and finished products to their destination. This shortage of transport impedes the running of the factory. Although timber is used as fuel in the manufacturing process of bitumsuspension, the government recently ordered that lignite be used instead, as it is found in great quantities at Ploesti. This proved to produce too few calories and the factory went back to timber. The factory works in one shift and has 60 workers, 45 of whom are women between the ages of 16 and 50.
2. Machinery consists of 10 hand-operated old Rumanian sewing machines, made by the former owner of Isolatii No. 3 according to a German sample, one "universal machine" in the carpentry section, and two old English lathes.

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